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AMERICAN SQUADRON IS VICTORIOUS AT MANILA.

The Spanish Fleet Annihilated. Governor Sues for Peace. Manila Is Ours.



ON TO HAVANA! PLANS BEING PUSHED FOR THE INVASION OF CUBA THIS WEEK.

Commodore Dewey Destroys the Spanish Fleet and Takes the City of Manila.

STARS AND STRIPES UNFURLED

Will Wave in Triumph Over the Philippine Islands, Spain's Greatest Colonies.

THE BOMBARDMENT OF HAVANA NEXT.

Cuba May Be Invaded This Week and the Havana Campaign Will Then Be Begun in Earnest.

ONE MORE SUCH VICTORY WILL END THE WAR.



An Enraged Mob Threatens the Life of the Queen Regent in Madrid.

HAUGHTY SPANIARDS HUMBLLED.

Rumored That the Powers Will Compel Spain to Sue for Peace at Once.

SPAIN WILL RESORT TO PRIVATEERING.

Hopes By This Means to Inflict Great Damage Upon the Bold Yankees to Retrieve Their Failing Fortunes.

THE DEFEAT A TERRIBLE LOSS TO SPAIN.



HAVANA NEXT.

Washington, May 2.—It is thought that Admiral Sampson will be ordered to bombard Havana by Thursday. The war board has about decided that conditions are favorable for the campaign to capture Havana to begin. It is believed that Gen. Gomez is ready to co-operate with the American forces.

TO FIGHT FOR FREEDOM.

Key West, Fla., May 2.—Three hundred Cubans left here yesterday to join 500 others. This united body will be equipped by the United States and will be transported to Cuba immediately. Beginning yesterday this port will be closed to all incoming vessels from 8 o'clock in the evening until daylight.

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GEN. BLANCO'S ORDER

Of Conscription in Cuba Shows That He is In Sore Straits.

Sent of Cuban Government May Soon Be Moved to the Vicinity of Matanzas.

Washington, May 2.—Secretary Quesada, of the Cuban legation here, said Saturday that Gen. Blanco's order conscripting Cubans between the ages of fifteen and fifty in the Spanish army showed the dire extremity to which the Spanish commander was driven. Mr. Quesada said that up to this time the Spanish authorities have not utilized the services of a single Cuban company, or regiment, knowing that the Cubans at heart devoted to the cause of Cuba and take the first opportunity to turn their arms against Spain. For this reason the volunteer forces at Havana and elsewhere, he said, were recruited exclusively from Spaniards.

Mr. Quesada said the present movement to raise Cuban conscripts was futile and such Cubans as are forced to enlist under the Spanish flag will find an opportunity to use their strength in the cause of Cuba. In high Cuban quarters the opinion prevails that President Maso's, of the Cuban republic, and his cabinet will remove soon from San Juan, Puerto Rico, where they are thought to be at present, to the neighborhood of Matanzas with a view to establishing the seat of the Cuban civil government at or near Matanzas. It is said, however, that this will depend much upon the instructions carried by Lieut. Rowan, U. S. A., to the Cuban commanders. The nature of these instructions is not disclosed. It is intimated, however, that one of the first results is likely to be the transfer of President Maso and his entire cabinet to the Cuban coast and the setting up there of a complete civil organization. One of the advantages of this move, from the Cuban standpoint, is that it will give the Cuban civil government a most distinct identity and will advance the recognition of its independence. This independence continues to be sincerely hoped for at an early day by the Cuban authorities in Washington. They are anxious to assume a more official status with the authorities here than they occupy at present.

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Washington, May 2, 12:21 p. m.—Commodore Dewey confirms yesterday's victory in an official report to the navy department. The British consul at Manila cables that the governor of the Philippine islands has sent a flag of truce to Commodore Dewey and has offered to surrender. The bombardment of the city lasted but a few minutes. The capture of the city is now assured.

Washington, May 2, 11:12 a. m.—The war board has issued orders for beginning the first move for the invasion of Cuba which is now expected to take place this week certainly. The greatest enthusiasm prevails in the army and navy departments and great confidence is expressed that the war will not be of long duration as has been feared.

Hong Kong, May 2.—It is reported here that two American ships were lost in the battle at Manila. The story is of Spanish origin and is not believed here.

London, May 2.—Cable dispatches just received confirm the reports of the signal victory of Admiral Dewey's fleet. They say only two of the Spanish ships are left. The British consul cables that Commodore Dewey has just informed him that the bombardment of Manila will be begun immediately.

London, May 2, 11:01 a. m.—The cable operator at Manila closed his last message before fleeing to save his life saying that Dewey's fleet was pouring shot and shell into the city. The cable concludes by saying that the Spaniards are ready to capitulate.

London, May 2, 11:32 a. m.—Spanish agents here admit that it is now only a matter of a few hours until Manila is in complete possession of the Americans under Commodore Dewey.

Madrid, May 2.—Cable dispatches report serious fighting off the Philippine islands between the American and Spanish squadrons.

The American squadron appeared in the Bay of Manila at 5 a. m. yesterday morning, and opened a strong cannonading against the Spanish fleet and the Manila forts. After a

terrible engagement the American fleet retreated to the other side of the bay and landed its killed and wounded on the shore.

The Spanish losses were very heavy, and the American ships were severely damaged. Capt. Cadizco, commander of the Maria Christina, was killed.

Later dispatches say that the Maria Christina and Castinella were both burned, and that the rest of the Spanish fleet retreated, after some of the ships were sunk, to escape being captured.

Admiral Montez, during the battle, transferred his flag from the Maria Christina to the Isle de Cuba, and thus escaped the fate of the captain of the Christina.

THE PEOPLE REJOICE.

New York, May 3.—This city is wild over the news of Commodore Dewey's signal victory off Manila, which is confirmed by the latest news from London.

Washington, May 2.—The news of the crushing defeat of the Spanish fleet by Commodore Dewey has thrown this city into a state of intense excitement. Congratulations are pouring in upon the President from all parts of the country.

The navy department is crowded with public officials and members of congress eagerly awaiting the latest details. No fear was ever felt at the department that Dewey would fail in defeating the Spanish fleet, but his victory is greater than was expected.

BOMBARDMENT OF MANILA.

London, May 2, 2:38 a. m.—The British consul has just cabled that the bombardment of Manila by the American fleet has just been begun. The city is panic-stricken and the people are fleeing to the hills by the thousands.

The Spanish are replying to the bombardment with their shore batteries, but are handling them very poorly.

New York, May 2.—Cable communication with Manila has been interrupted this afternoon. It is believed that Dewey has cut the cable to put one end on shipboard to complete communication with the American government.

New York, May 2, 2:46 p. m.—The latest dispatches from Manila place the number of Spanish killed at from 500 to 550, and the financial loss to Spain in the destruction of her fleet at \$6,000,000. The American loss of lives is not given.

and is not thought to be very great.

Washington, May 2, 3:22 p. m.—The British legation here says that Manila has surrendered. The state department has no confirmation but the report is believed.

Washington, May 2, 3:41 p. m.—President McKinley is accredited with saying that the war will be over within a month and does not think volunteers will be needed. General Miles is pushing his plans for invading Cuba.

London, May 1.—(Special cable the Courier-Journal.)—The Asiatic squadron of the United States, Commodore Dewey commanding, today engaged and completely defeated the Asiatic squadron of Spain in the harbor of Manila, in the Philippine islands.

All the news of the great naval battle thus far received is coming from Spanish sources. This shows conclusively that Manila has not yet been taken by the American forces and that the cable lines are still under the control of Spain.

From the fact that even the advices received from Madrid show that the American warships fared the best, there is hardly any doubt that when complete details are obtainable it will be learned that it was a crushing defeat for Spain. Reports of the battle thus far are coming in piecemeal. During the two engagements that took place Commodore Montez, commanding the Spanish fleet, lost three of his largest ships. His flagship, the armored cruiser Maria Reina Cristina, and the armored cruiser Castilla were burned, and the cruiser Don Juan de Austria was blown up. Several other Spanish vessels were badly damaged.

Under the protection of the guns of the fortifications, the Spanish warships opened fire on the American fleet. For several hours the harbor resounded with the roar of guns, the crashing of steel and timbers, the shrieks and groans of the wounded. Thick clouds of smoke at times almost obscured the opposing fleets from each other.

A well directed shot reached the iron cruiser Don Juan de Austria, a vessel of eleven hundred tons. A terrific explosion followed and the ship was blown up.

All the time during the first engagement the American ships were under way, their maneuvering being intended to render the marksmanship of the Spanish gunners less effective.

There was a heavy loss of life among the Spanish. Capt. Cardase,

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THE OREGON IS SAFE.

Steams Into Rio Janeiro Saturday Night With the Marietta—The Spaniards Outwitted.

The Ship Sails Under Sealed Orders and Will Soon Be Ready to Do Battle With the Spanish Fleet.

Washington, May 2.—Orders have been given the Oregon and Marietta to sail. They arrived at Rio Janeiro Saturday night having passed Montevideo where the Spanish gunboat was waiting for them.

POOR OLD SPAIN.

London, May 2.—It is reported here today that the life of the Queen Regent is endangered by Spanish riots and that she may have to flee from the enraged populace. The news of the destruction of the Spanish fleet and the probable surrender of Manila have so inflamed the people that a revolution may be expected at any moment.

Madrid, May 2.—It is officially stated today that the Spanish government will equip privateers and begin a campaign of piracy against American commerce immediately. It has always been held here that the only way to ruin or to compel the

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Best darning cotton, 1c.
Ten-cent side combs, 5c. pair.
Seam braid, white, 4c.
Three yard embroidery silk, 10c. dozen.
Borate talcum powder, 5c. a can.
Tooth brushes, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 15c.
Brazel paint, 1c. a bottle.
Florida water, 10c.
Twenty-five cent smelling salts, 15c.
Red marking cotton, four spools for 5c.
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Tape, 1c. roll.
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Box hair pins, 4c.
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Our esteemed contemporary, the morning Register, should caution the Associated Press to be sure and send its fake news only to the News, and thus give the Register a chance to get an item by correcting the false report.

The recent editorial in the Daily Register claiming that only the report of the Associated Press, sent out to morning papers, is reliable, and that the afternoon Associated Press report is unreliable, would make interesting reading for the manager of the Associated Press.

While Spain is drafting men to get soldiers, the United States is embarrassed by too many volunteers. The call for 125,000 volunteers has been more than met, and it is evident that the government could get half a million men as easily as it gets the first 125,000. But, should the hostilities with Spain be prolonged, there will doubtless be a chance for all who desire to enlist. So those who now are disappointed should keep cool and wait; they may yet get all the war experience they desire, and more, too.

WM. JENNINGS BRYAN has at last plucked up courage enough to offer his services to the President. Just why he should make this offer to the President instead of the nearest recruiting officer is unknown; he is a private citizen and totally without military experience. But, though he has been posing as the great champion of the cause of the masses, he has not the strength of his convictions to volunteer as a private along with the rest of the masses. Mr. Bryan should practice what he preaches.

Under the army reorganization and the volunteer bills which have just passed Congress all citizens between 18 and 45 years of age are held liable to military duty in case of war. They are divided into two organizations—regulars and volunteers. The latter differ from the regulars only in having their enlistments depend on the duration of the war and in having their officers from colonel down appointed by the Governors of the states instead of by the President. In the organization of the troops three or more regiments will constitute a brigade, and three or more brigades will form an army corps. The brigades will be commanded by

brigadier generals and the divisions and corps by major generals. The suggestion of the secretary of war that as far as practicable the national guard be given the preference in the organization of regiments and battalions has naturally led to some confusion in the public mind with reference to the manner in which the state militia is to be called into service. The militia, as such, cannot be sent outside of the state by the President. Congress cannot authorize the President to send Col. Castleman's Legion of the Kentucky State Guards, into Cuba. The law is purposely framed, however, so as to provide for the enlistment of the members of existing militia organizations as volunteers, retaining the personnel of the organization so far as practicable.

THE BOND ISSUE.

Secretary of the Treasury Gage is Already Arranging for It.

much Interest in It and It Will Be One of the Most Popular Issues Ever Made.

Washington, May 2.—Anticipating that the senate will agree to the war revenue bill passed by the house, the secretary of the treasury is already making arrangements for the bond issue of five hundred millions provided for in the bill. Secretary Gage has determined to preserve all the features of a popular loan under the bill, \$500,000,000 of bonds to be issued to draw interest at the rate of 3 per cent per annum. These are to be made payable in coin. They are to be sold at par. To emphasize the fiction of a popular loan it has been decided to make a preferred class of all subscribers for \$1,000 or less. Secretary Gage believes that the entire issue of \$500,000,000 will be oversubscribed. In that case the individual subscribers for \$1,000 or more will be barred, and the entire \$500,000,000 will be apportioned pro rata among the subscribers of \$1,000 or less. Blanks have been prepared for subscribers and they will be scattered broadcast throughout the land. Subscriptions will be received through banks, brokers, postoffices and express offices, or directly through the mails. Drafts, certified checks or other lawful payment will be accepted.

There is a movement in congress already to make the denomination of the bonds as low as ten dollars. The limit under the war revenue bill is fifty dollars.

It is likely that the new issue will be one of the most popular ever made. Already much interest is manifested. Many banks and brokers have offered to accept and forward to the secretary of the treasury any subscriptions. Others have offered to perform this service, but have not stated whether they would exact a commission for the transaction. All such offers will have to be declined, for the reason that the secretary of the treasury has determined to pay no commission in floating the war loan.

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DOUBLE DROWNING.

Two Well Known Men Lose Their Lives While Out Rowing—Will Baynam and Ed Lippold Drowned.

Their Boat Was Struck by the Joe Fowler's Wheel—Lee Douglas Has a Miraculous Escape. The Bodies Recovered.

A double tragedy that shocked the entire city occurred yesterday morning a few minutes after 11 o'clock, within a few yards of the wharfboat, below the ferry landing. Messrs. Will Baynam and Edward Lippold were drowned in full view of several spectators, all of whom were powerless to save them.

They had been riding in a small fishing boat, which was rowed by Lee Douglas, night fireman at the Palmer House. When they were coming to shore, the Mary N. approached with a tow, and to avoid the tow and waves, they pulled on down below the Joe Fowler, which was landing above the wharf. They were floating, the one not even being in the oarlocks. Just as their boat reached the stern of the Fowler, the latter began to back up, and they were caught by the revolving wheel. The wheel had been motionless until they reached it, and when the steamer began to back, the oars not being handy, they had no way to escape the powerful wheel.

As soon as the boat was caught, Messrs. Baynam and Lippold jumped out, but the other man remained in, and was carried by the wheel under the boat. He thought he was lost and gave up once, he claims, but with a power horn of desperation, clinging to the wheel until he came up on the other side. They then told him that his companions were both drowned.

Several on the wharf boat witnessed the accident, and Mr. Wayne Turner, who was near, cast them a plank and told them to hold to it until a line could be procured. In the meantime the line was brought and thrown to the rapidly disappearing forms, but Mr. Baynam cried that he "was too weak," or "was gone," and sank to rise no more. The unfortunate man was some little distance further down the river, and seems to have floated for several moments after he came up to the last time. His form then disappeared. The hats floated down the river, but the boat, which seems never to have turned over, was brought to bank. Mr. John Baynam was near and when the cry of "men overboard" was heard, ran for a skiff, but did not know his own brother was one of the men.

Searchers at once began dragging for the bodies, and about 1 o'clock their efforts were rewarded by finding the remains of Mr. Lippold, some little distance below the lower wharf. The remains were caught on a hook.

The body was placed in the wharf boat, and about 2 o'clock Coroner Phelps arrived and held an inquest, the evidence introduced being substantially the same as above.

The verdict of the jury was that the drowning was accidental, and attached no blame to any one. The remains were taken in charge by Undertaker Ellinger.

The men were both well known in Paducah. Mr. Baynam was hook-keeper for the Scott Hardware Co., and was unmarried. He was about 38 years old, and was a brother to Postman John Baynam.

Mr. Lippold was foreman at Klein's cigar factory, and came to Paducah from Metropolis about four years ago. His home was Cincinnati. He was 37 years of age, and leaves a wife to mourn his loss. He was married to a young lady of Metropolis. His home was over Peter's boatstore, on First street.

Messrs. Tom Argus and Chas. Sugars, clerks on the wharf boat, saw the struggles of the two men, and heard Mr. Baynam when he said he was gone. The other man, when he rose, would blow the water from his mouth and cry for help, until he drowned.

Douglas' escape was little short of miraculous. He was carried entirely under the boat. His head was painfully skinned on top, and he was bruised on the breast. The search for Mr. Baynam's body lasted until late in the afternoon, when several charges of dynamite were fired under the water. About 8 p. m. the watchman on the coal dock below the wharf boat found the body floating alongside the large, and hauled it in. Mr. Baynam's watch had been slightly broken, apparently by the dynamite.

The remains were carried to Ellinger's undertaking establishment, where an inquest was held at 3 o'clock, the verdict being that he came to his death from accidental drowning. Mrs. Baynam, and Mr. Max Baynam, of Memphis, mother and brother of the deceased, arrived this morning from Memphis and two sisters are expected this afternoon from the south. Mr. Baynam's funeral will take place tomorrow morning from the house, 431 North Seventh. Rev. W. H. Pinkerton officiating. It will be under the auspices of the Woodmen of the World, of which he was a member. He was also a member of the Home Forum.

BYCYCLE NOTES.

Have your wheel overhauled at once—an unnoticed defect will probably develop into a serious break. Wheels can be examined to suit your estimate or complexion. Breaks on the rear hub and gear cases are being adopted. Cork and wood trunk and among the novelties this season. The only doctor in wheelman circles is the repairman. Short rivets being stronger, a narrow chain is the best. Dr. Romain, a German scientist, is constructing wheels that are rustless and very light. He has a dream of alloy of his own invention. Using magnets to handle the balls in a wheel has no permanent effect on them. Bicycles can not be used in Cuba. There are no roads, and the paths are overgrown in a short time by the vines and tropical plants. Exports of wheels are reduced by the war to a great extent. Don't oil your wheel too much in dusty weather. Vaseline in the bearings lasts longer and does not accumulate grime. Keep the chain clean and use dry lubricant. Don't smoke while on a wheel, it affects the heart. In ordinary riding only one-third of a horse power is exerted, but for a short sprint it sometimes reaches one-third of a horse power. A wheelman can travel fifty per cent faster with an expenditure of only one-ninth of the energy of a pedestrian. A buggy is never loaded with double its own weight, yet a wheel weighing twenty-five pounds often carries eight times its own weight. Therefore get a good one. A good chain wheel should not cost over \$50. A cheap wheel and a doctor's bill go together.

T. P. A. BANQUET.

The T. P. A. banquet at the Palmer house Saturday night closed the fourth annual convention, and was decidedly the most enjoyable in the history of the organization, made so by the presence of the ladies, who were there in great numbers. President Jerry Porter was toast master, and acquitted himself with his usual grace and wit. He delivered the address of welcome, and was followed by some of the best talkers that could have been found. Hon. T. E. Moss was unable to be present on account of illness. The others were:

"The Traveling Man and the T. P. A."—Sam. P. Jones.
"The Drummer's Wife."—Tack Lyon.
"The Drummer's Sweetheart."—Chas. Frick.
"The Drummer at Home."—Frank Oriebacker.
"The Drummer on Religion."—Rev. W. H. Pinkerton.
"The Drummer in War."—R. T. Lightfoot.
"Good Night."—Rev. W. K. Penrod.

PROF. FOX HONORED.

The Sunday school of the Broadway M. E. church yesterday had a happy surprise in store for Prof. E. A. Fox, the superintendent. At the morning session he was presented with a fine gold watch by the teachers and pupils of the Sunday school. It had an inscription inside, expressing love and good wishes from the donors, and the presentation speech was made by Prof. C. B. Hatfield, who paid Prof. Fox a high tribute.

PURITAN'S LAST SHOT.

A Key West dispatch to the Courier Journal says:—The most popular of the ships in the harbor is the monitor Puritan, now here taking coal. The Herald and Courier-Journal told Thursday, in their exclusive account of the shelling of the Matanzas shore batteries, of the wonderful shot with which the Puritan finished the action, demolishing the battery and hurling earthworks, emplacement, gun carriages and concrete sixty feet in the air in one terrific volcano of iron, earth and stone.

"Black Jack" Harrington, the Puritan's captain, has been here today, and that last shot is the talk of the week. I learned today from an officer of the Puritan that the man who sighted that death dealing gun at a distance of nearly two miles and a half from the shore batteries was Gunner's Mate Jackson, one of the most popular lads on the monitor.

Jackson had just sighted his place, and, as he afterwards explained, he had the range so perfect that he was sure of a center shot. At that critical moment the flagship signaled to stop firing. Jackson could not bear to lose that beautiful aim, so he her go a moment after the action was officially declared off. If he had made a bad shot Gunner's Mate Jackson might have been reprimanded but when the men of the entire squadron witnessed the terrible execution done by Jackson's last shot five hundred caps of "Jackies" came off in a jiffy.

Cheers rang lustily from the decks of the flagship, the monitor and the cruiser Cincinnati impromptu honnpes were executed on the gun deck of the Puritan, and the marksmen were seized and hugged again and again like a lost brother.

"I knew I'd hit her that time," was Jackson's smiling comment, "and the whole navy could not stop it after I had it sighted."

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SUNSHINE SINKS.

The steamer Sunshine, which passed down for Memphis yesterday, sank in about six feet of water Friday afternoon a short distance below Rockport. When the boat was backing out from the wharf she struck a snag and a large hole was knocked in her hull. A few minutes after the hull began to fill with water rapidly and Capt. Don Marr ordered her beached. The boat was lying on the bottom of the river with several inches of water over her decks when the towboat Mariner was sighted and a distress signal given. The towboat hurried to the assistance of the Sunshine and soon had her hull clear of water. The damage was repaired and the Sunshine proceeded down the river. The snag which came so near causing the destruction of the Sunshine is a constant menace to steamboatmen and should be removed. Last week the Rose Hite struck it twice, but as she was running light she escaped injury.

THE SCHOOL CENSUS.

The school census, as completed, which will be presented to the board of education tomorrow night for its acceptance, shows the following school children in Paducah:

First ward—White, 647; colored, 651; total, 1,298.
Second ward—White, 499; colored, 113; total, 612.
Third ward—White, 267; colored, 113; total, 380.
Fourth ward—White, 109; colored, 227; total, 336.
Fifth ward—White, 510; colored, 132; total, 642.
Sixth ward—White, 299; colored, 337; total, 1,326.
Total, 4,981. Last year, 1,647. Increase, 337.

LONG MEETINGS.

SCHOOL BOARD.

The school board meets tonight in called session, to take up the matter of completing the new school house on Broadway. The bids were opened Friday night, and an adjournment taken until tonight. The board is confronted with this state of affairs. It has but about \$15,000 with which to complete the building out of this year's levy, and not desiring to wait until next year, has taken so far to complete it this, the balance to be paid next year. The bids show that it will require about \$23,000 to put a roof over the house, and the matter was referred to the committee. It is understood that some of the members are in favor of completing the work and paying the balance next year, while the others are in favor of waiting, believing that the other course is illegal. The committee will recommend that all the work possible be done at once, as far as the money will go. This will enable the board, if concurring in, to put up the walls, but not to put the building under roof.

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FISH KILLED.

The dynamite exploded in the river yesterday afternoon to raise the remains of Mr. Baynam, killed hundreds of fish, and there were many people out in boats catching the fish as they came to the surface.

AN OPERATION NECESSARY.

Master Jimmie Street is dangerously ill of appendicitis and this afternoon an operation will be performed on him, with the hope of relieving him.

ENJOYABLE EXCURSION.

The excursion on the steamer Woodruff, given by Mr. J. L. Kilgore Saturday, was attended by a large crowd, and was most enjoyable. The boat went to Metropolis, and returned about 3:30 in the evening.

CHILDERS BACK.

Pinekey Childers, who was paroled by Gov. Bradley Saturday, reached home yesterday from Edinville, highly elated over his release.

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